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Kerstin MOTHES et al.

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For: METHOD FOR FABRICATING A TRENCH
ISOLATION STRUCTURE

Examiner: B. Smith

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated August 22, 2005, for which a response is due on November 22, 2005. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.